

London

Mrs. Joseph Leiter Arrives from Continent and Gives Luncheon.

WILL REMAIN FORTNIGHT

Wife of American Ambassador Gives Informal Dinner—Daughter Plans Parties.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Nov. 8.—Mrs. Joseph Leiter, of Washington, D. C., arrived from the Continent, accompanied by Col. and Mrs. John H. Williams, her parents, on a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Evarde Wrenn. Mrs. Leiter gave a luncheon at the Ritz Thursday. The most important members of the American colony were present. She expects to remain here a fortnight.

Frederick Townsend Martin is besieged by inquiries regarding his new book, "Shobs," but he replies enthusiastically: "It is not coming out yet. My other book is selling well enough for the time being."

J. F. Harris has arrived at the Carlton from Paris after a fortnight's stay. John E. Trask gave a dinner for Sir Edward Poynter, president of the Royal Academy, and members of the Anglo-American art committee to the Panama Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Craft, of San Francisco, have arrived after a visit to Dublin.

The little dance given by the wife of Ambassador Page in Grosvenor Square was a very informal affair. The guests were confined to the young friends of Miss Page, who is arranging a series of small dinner parties during the winter season.

The only two Americans invited to meet the King when he was the guest of Lord Iveagh at Ely Hall were the Duchess of Marlborough and Lady Granard. The duchess has become a great favorite at court.

Among the Americans who will be found along the Riviera later are Lady Paget, Mrs. William Leeds, Anthony Drexel, and Mr. and Mrs. James McDonald. Lady Paget and Mrs. Almeric Paget have been thrown into mourning by the sudden death of Capt. Gerald Paget.

Hon. Mrs. Hubert Beaumont, daughter of Michael P. Grace, is more hopeful about her husband's condition. He has double pneumonia and, although not out of danger, his condition is greatly improved.

The marriage of Miss Helen Goody, formerly of Cleveland, and Gen. Leila, a rich Guardsman, is scheduled for December 18 in St. George's Church.

The Countess of Essex has left Powder House, in Davies Street, for Knowlton Hall, where the Earl and Countess of Derby are entertaining for the Liverpool races. Lady Granard will remain at Forbes House, Halkin Street, until Christmas.

Lord and Lady Grenville have returned to 25 Belgrave Square.

London hotels were filled this week, many nobles spending a short time here before sailing.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Guggenheim and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Guggenheim arrived at the Ritz and, accompanied by Mrs. J. S. Bernheimer, after a long tour of the Continent, sailed for New York on the Mauretania yesterday.

SHY PRINCESS TURNS TO GAY COURT LIFE

Diffident Young Noblewoman Has Learned to Smoke and Dance from Queen Cousins.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Nov. 8.—The Princess Arthur of Connaught is vastly changed. Always a timid, embarrassed girl, she has "come out" wonderfully since her marriage.

Since she has been staying with her cousin, the Queen of Spain, she has been transformed into a smart, merry woman of the world, smoking cigarettes and dancing the tango.

Princess Arthur's mother was dubbed "Her Royal Highness" to a marked degree. As a girl she would literally turn deathly white and shiver from nervousness if addressed.

The Queen of Spain is remarkably tactful and amusing and doubtless has done much to work the change. Her brother, Prince Alexander of Battenberg, also is a member of the royal household and he is fun-loving young man.

Princess Arthur now wanders from the dull scenes of domestic English life into the gay Spanish court, where she leads a different life as a wife. Her looks are said to have improved vastly since her marriage.

ANARCHISTS USING COINS AS LECTURES

Stamping Their Propaganda on Money. Custom May Come to the United States.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Nov. 8.—The militant anarchists may take up a strange method of propaganda which the anarchists have adopted here. "Vive l'anarchie" is being stamped on all coins that pass through the hands of those who advocate the abolition of all law.

The defaced coins are in circulation in several large English cities, the words being cut across the King's profile. Shopkeepers accept the coins unwittingly and pass them along. So the propaganda grows wider. It is proposed to carry it into the United States.

DANCER TAKES VILLA.
Miss Isadora Duncan Will Live Permanently in Tuscany.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Rome, Nov. 8.—Miss Isadora Duncan has fallen in love with Viareggio, the town by the Sea of Tuscany, some of by Ripelle, and apparently intends making her permanent home there. She has leased a large villa in the pine forest.

Mr. and Mrs. Julian Nathan have arrived at the Flora for a stay of several months. Their son-in-law, Signor Arturo Lusanto, with whom they spent part of the summer in Tuscany, is among those defeated for re-election to the Italian Parliament.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Gay have just returned home for the winter after attending the wedding in Geneva of Miss Nancy Lelsham and the Duke of Crov.

BREAKS FORTH AS PLAYWRIGHT.

GILBERT K. CHESTERTON

LADY ALEXANDER HAS GORGEOUS NEW GOWNS

Wife of Actor-Manager Plans to Uphold Reputation of Being Smartest Dressed Woman in London.

HAS VELVET AND FUR CREATION

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

London, Nov. 8.—Lady Alexander, wife of the actor-manager, Sir George Alexander, has the reputation of being one of the smartest dressed women in London.

She has just had made a fascinating afternoon gown of black velvet and fur. The skirt is trimmed with skunk and is open at the hem at the back to show a black chiffon petticoat, while the line of fur continues to the waist, where the material is drawn up in sculptured folds.

A narrow border of skunk marks the edge of the V-shaped décolletage, which is cut away over a vest of white tulle illusion lined with chiffon. A wide fold of apricot velvet is inserted at the apex of the décolletage just above the waist belt. The belt is of velvet drawn in folds round the waist, into which is tucked a giant apricot pink cactus.

The long kimono sleeves are completed with the velvet, and the quality of velvet white satin, embellished with a narrow band of fur. The extreme edge of the coat, which completes the costume, is fashioned like a Russian peasant's blouse, the deep basque being slightly gathered into a band of skunk.

Lady Alexander also will shortly appear in an evening gown of soft Bonney blue and silver brocade, which has several new features. This gown is draped up in front, the folds curving away toward the hem. It is supplemented with a lamphade tunic of velvet over which is suspended a founce of silver shawl lace draped from the waist. The bodice is of Bonney blue, the sleeves and décolletage being edged with a ruche of velvet of the same color.

A great velvet petunia, shading from cerise in the center to dark purple at the edge of its petals, is tucked in front of the corsage.

PRINCE OF WALES IS TO GO THROUGH SLUMS

To Make Trip to Underworld with Detective—Young Brother Has Allowance Raised.

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London, Nov. 8.—The Prince of Wales will shortly begin his personal acquaintance with the underworld of London. Accompanied by a trusted detective, with the idea of getting some view of the other side of life, visits will be made to the slum districts, as was done in the case of his father and grandfather.

His brother, Henry, now in Eton, has induced his mother to increase his weekly pocket money to the mighty sum of £12, at the same time receiving a solemn warning that he must not increase this by trading his father's and mother's autograph letters, which are always salable at a high price among his schoolfellows.

He has now fallen into the regular school routine and thinks nothing of taking his "fagmaster's" boots to the cobbler's, never even glancing at the lordly towers of Windsor Castle on route.

Participation in athletic games already has improved his poor physique.

AMERICAN EMBASSY FOR AMERICANS, HEREAFTER

Brilliant Social Season Under Leadership of New Envoy and His Wife, Is Expected.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Berlin, Nov. 8.—The American colony in Berlin is anticipating a brilliant social season under the leadership of Ambassador and Mrs. Gerard, owing to the statement by Ambassador Gerard at the farewell dinner to the General Thackeray that in future the American Embassy would be the social headquarters of the American colony.

In recent years the embassy activities have been reserved largely for second and third rate princelings, dukes and other hangers-on of European aristocracy.

Therefore the announcement that Americans, both temporary and permanent residents, are to have preference has been received with great rejoicing.

PARIS

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Paris, Nov. 8.—The revelation this week that Henry Batille's "Phalene," the most talked of play in Europe at the present moment on account of its daring portrayal of the immoral side of Paris, is based on the experience of an American girl art student here has caused profound sensation. Batille has declined to reveal the name of the girl, but she came from New York and her first name began with C. The playwright said the girl was suffering from consumption and had been doomed to an early death when he met her in the Latin Quarter fifteen years ago. She broke down and physically told her that she was afflicted with tuberculosis and has but a few years to live. The shock unsettled the girl's mind and she swore that as long as she lives she will go the farthest Paris has ever known.

The succeeding acts show the startling manner in which she endeavors to carry out this vow. She becomes the leader in the gayest revels the Paris underworld has ever seen. In one scene she is shown leading a scandalous dance in a cemetery.

In the meantime she meets a prince, who falls in love with her and asks her to marry him. She refuses, and upon being urged by the prince to accept him, she turns from him and shoots herself.

Play Shocks Paris.

This play, which shocked all Paris, gave everyone the impression that Batille had been inspired by Marie Bashkirtseff, the artistic prodigy whose pictures are now in the Luxembourg, and who died of consumption at Nice after a tragic career.

This assumption became so strong that Marie's mother this week wrote to Batille and indignantly protested against her daughter being depicted as such a character, the mother averting that her daughter Marie had been a pure and tender girl.

The playwright replied that he had not been inspired by the life of Marie Bashkirtseff, but admitted that he had drawn upon her for a few traits in depicting the central character of "Phalene."

Batille then told how he had taken the character almost entirely from life and that the real Phalene had been an American girl student in the Latin Quarter.

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Shrewd observers say this condition is mainly due to the sudden tango frenzy, which has become an absolute mania here. From dukes and duchesses to suburban hostesses, all feel out of the running unless they are able to give one or two tango teas and suppers weekly.

The hotels give them daily, while teachers are making fortunes from men who are driven to learn the new and intricate steps by the women folk.

Meanwhile fashionable doctors pronounce the tango movements "as good as physical culture," while a Pockham slum store crowns all by announcing in its window, "Our tango tea, 25 cents per pound." London has literally gone stark, raving mad over the tango.

ACTRESS AS HOSTESS.

Maxine Elliott Entertains Nobility at Country Place.

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London, Nov. 8.—Miss Maxine Elliott, the beautiful American actress, who has long been a pet of society, has taken a charming country place.

She entertains every night after the theater, and during the week-ends entertains many members of the smart world.

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American Girl Is Heroine of Play

"DIVINE SARAH" TURNS TO LECTURE PLATFORM

Actress Confesses to Stage Fright at Prospect of University Audience.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Nov. 8.—Mme. Sarah Bernhardt has tried her hand and subtle brain at more things. She has been a painter, a musician, a sculptor, and artist, and, above all, an actress without peer for many years.

She has written many brilliant articles, reminiscences, but lecturing as a new departure at sixty-nine years old is a novelty to her. She is a character which will not escape the attention of the wits.

Mme. Bernhardt, who says she is now making her debut as a lecturer, with the single exception of a short essay at Geneva on the late Edmond Rostand, feels quite nervous over the role she has laid down for herself before the demagogues of the Sorbonne University in Paris.

"I am billed to give them six lectures," she said, "the first on Tuesday night. I will begin with my debut at the Conservatoire, to be followed by 'The Art of Reciting Verses,' 'Why I Love the Poetry of Racine,' 'My Favorite Roles, Hamlet, Lorraine, and 'The Women of France,' 'The Playwright and the Actor,' 'The Actor's Life,' and 'The Actor's Future.' But I am so afraid I shall have the trac (stage fright) with all these critical young students around me."

"I have already been rehearsing myself in my new part, and tried composing 'Mousses, Mousses, Mousses.' It sounds all wrong. I shall wait all my courage. If my first essay succeeds I shall become a lecturer when I quit the stage. We shall see."

MARCONI LOSES SEAT IN ITALIAN SENATE

Wireless Inventor, Elected, Finds He Is One Year Too Young to Qualify.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Nov. 8.—The great Marconi, king of the wireless, has had a bad disappointment. He was duly elected Senator, but he ought to have been born a year earlier.

The amusing part of it is that King Victor Emmanuel approved the election, which had been proposed by Premier Giolitti, and there was apparently no hitch in his being duly elected one of the legislators in the Upper Chamber of his country.

Marconi himself left the cat out of the bag. Staying at San Roaro, the other day he there met his august sovereign. The King took the opportunity of congratulating the young inventor on the honor conferred upon him.

"But," said Marconi, disconsolately, "I am not yet forty and therefore not qualified."

"Tut, tut," said the King. But it was no good.

ENGINEER INVENTS TALKING BANK NOTE

Like Phonograph Record It Will Cry Out Its Value and Defy Forgery.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Sutton, Surrey, England, Nov. 8.—An invention that might prove useful in the make-up of the new American issue of bills and banknotes has lately been brought to a high state of perfection by a Sutton engineer, Alfred E. Hawtree.

Mr. Hawtree's device is a machine which will so cut the edge of a banknote as to make it a veritable phonograph record, capable of talking and stating its denomination.

Put as simply as possible, the method employed in making the "talking banknote," which Mr. Hawtree says will defy the machinations of the counterfeiter, is this: The sound form of two syllables, like "dollar," "fifty," "hundred," is first photographed by an ingenious process upon a film, making a jagged line of about the length of a banknote.

By a photo-mechanical process this jagged line, which is really a little record of the words spoken, is cut on a zinc plate, and from this mould a steel cutting knife of the required shape and design is obtained.

With this knife the edges of bills and notes may be cut, and each serrated edge is a reproduction of the sound form required.

When the bills so treated are passed through the specially designed phonograph reproducer, which is a part of the invention, they can be heard crying their values.

Mr. Hawtree says: "With this machine people can safeguard themselves against receiving forged notes. It would be practically impossible for a forger to imitate the serrated edge of a note which 'talks.'"

BERLIN WELCOMES HER.

MRS. JAMES W. GERARD

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Nov. 8.—All Americans in Paris are following with the greatest interest the marked attention which Maj. Bentley Mott, military attaché of the American Embassy here, is paying to Mrs. Stanford White. Mrs. White is known as one of the most popular diplomats in Europe, and until the present he has been regarded as a confirmed bachelor, although he was at one time reported engaged to Miss Anne Morgan.

Mrs. White has been living in retirement in a large house on the left bank of the Seine since her husband was killed by Harry H. Shaw. Her son has been studying at the Deane Arts School and her daughter has been devoting much time to music and is now very popular here. Mrs. White is also an ardent music enthusiast and has spent much time with the American girl students at the various musical clubs.

TEARS, BITTER TEARS, WEPT BY BRIDEGROOM

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Sydney, Australia, Nov. 8.—It is a day for a native of the island of Baden when he enters into the cares and responsibilities of wedded bliss.

The bridegroom, in Baden, invariably weeps during that solemn part of his nuptial ceremonies wherein he becomes indissolubly one with the brown-skinned vision at his side.

C. H. Walker, lately returned to Sydney from a trip through the Torres Straits archipelago, reports this strange marriage custom:

"An indispensable condition for a wedding here is that the bridegroom must cry when the knot is tied. The tears flow copiously—quite a shower of them. It is extraordinary how the natives can produce tears just whenever they are wanted."

Berlin

ABRUZZI ACCLAIMED CHIVALROUS KNIGHT SACRIFICING LOVE FOR COUNTRY.

FRIENDS DENY MATCH

Say Nobleman and Mrs. Billy Hitt Were Nothing More Than Friends.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Nov. 8.—The marriage of Miss Katherine Hitts to "Billy" Hitt has turned the Duke of Abruzzi into a popular hero everywhere. He is regarded as a chivalrous knight errant who sacrificed a life's happiness to state and national obligations of rank.

A naval associate, who is the confidant of the Duke, said to the New York American correspondent: "Speaking literally, there never was anything between Miss Hitts and the Duke except sincere friendship based upon mutual sympathy and admiration. No kind of engagement ever existed."

"Their relations remained unchanged in fact, the Duke got the first blow of the marriage through the newspapers. The Duke's policy in considering his love affairs entirely private and so refusing to contradict stories published was the source of the entire misunderstanding."

Did Not Talk Love.

"The Duke from the first knew of the obstacles in his path and determined to make no declaration of love until he knew the road was clear. Because Senator Hitts refused to co-operate with and become Queen Margherita's opponent the marriage on religious grounds, all the Duke's efforts to obtain recognition for Miss Hitts and also the bestowal of an Italian decoration upon Senator Hitts failed, but through-out she appreciated the situation, although he never spoke one word of love. She knew fully exactly how affairs moved."

"Their last meeting in 1912 in a secluded resort in the Tyrol, whether the Duke returned from Venice, Miss Hitts awaited him with a Philadelphia friend. Not a single word was said about love or marriage, but the lovers understood each other."

APPENDICITIS FOUND IN EGYPTIAN MUMMY

English Lecturer Establishes Ancient Lineage of Fashionable Disease Beyond a Doubt.

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